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Best Russian Fund (Since Inception)

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David Amaran, Director, Copperstone Alpha Fund



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Copperstone Alpha Fund

Alpha Fund, run by Moscow- and London-based investment management firm Copperstone Capital, is a global long-short fund with strong knowledge of Russia and CIS. Copperstone Capital's Director David Amaryan told us more

Copperstone Alpha Fund has been named best Russian Fund (Since Inception) in the Acquisition International Hedge Fund Awards. Copperstone Capital is an investment management firm founded in 1999 with offices in Moscow, Russia and London, managing assets for high net worth individuals and institutions through various investment strategies.

Copperstone Alpha Fund, a global long-short fund with strong exposure to Russia and CIS. The fund uses strategies to generate alpha returns.

The fund is 100% concentrated on growing Copperstone Alpha Fund. David Amaryan from Copperstone Capital: "That is what we are up to night and taking during the day. We still run managed hedge funds in M&A and run a number of private equity projects. This is the key to the success. Our HR approach has brought us in a decision-making process which has in turn resulted in the success and growth to date. The team is young, but experienced and importantly all of us share common values in business and are looking to grow in 2015 and beyond and this growth will continue in itself."

The hedge fund landscape is full of challenges and uncertainty. Amaryan: "Uncertainty with regards to regulation and the environment is most challenging from an operational perspective. In markets in Russia, and globally, we are in-and-out of predictable trends on having a directional view which is independent of market volatility. However, political developments have contributed to the performance of Russian financial markets, and we are taking into consideration going forward."

In the course of 2014, David Amaryan says it seems that the big challenge has been to manage the lion's share of assets dedicated to Russia. "We are a growth play and are just starting to gather momentum. The challenge is to maintain performance and grow assets under management in a steady and sustainable fashion."

The fund's exposure to public assets which are impacted by economic and political decisions. Our team has significant knowledge and knowledge of Russia and our exposures are a result of seeking and consideration of every opportunity.

Alpha fund manager, Russia is a large and untouched piece of the world. High Net Worth individuals have a limited number of products and are both easy to understand and are engaged and run

according to the highest legal and operational standards. Asset prices vary significantly as the market over (or under) assigns perceived risk, so being a local has big advantages. On the other hand, we develop the investment approach, which can be used in other markets as well, and thus offer more diversification to our clients."

Asked whether the Ukraine political crisis with Russia has hurt investor sentiment, David Amaryan says it is always a great time to be involved in Russia. "The long investor sentiment generally seems to encompass a long and positive approach. While favourable views on Russia as a destination for a 'buy-and-forever' view have diminished, Russia will continue to offer opportunities for active management in any political scenario."

As the most volatile period of the Ukrainian conflict was in play we repeatedly used this reality to trade both Russian and non-Russian names to our benefit. This is an important theme our research team is following permanently and depicts exposure which very few other alternative funds can offer."

Mr. Amaryan admits he feels great to be named Best Russian Fund (Since Inception) in the Hedge Fund Awards. "We are proud to have the distinction, especially given the strong competition we know to have faced. The key element of the award is the fact that it is voted on by peers. The industry is driven by competition and we are proud to have been selected."

"Continuity and stability are two components not regularly associated with hedge funds, but we always strive to behave in such a manner. We believe these are impressions with which our clients and peers come away with after working with us for a relatively short period of time."

Over the coming months and years, Copperstone plans to expand and grow assets under management. "Our strategy allows for a significant increase in the size of our assets and in 2015 we will start doing what we have not done at all during this period of time – actively market our fund. We will also be opening a full London office and seeking FCA regulation over 2015."

